# TOWN WARRANT COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS November 2, 2015

ESSEX, ss. To the Constables of the Town of Georgetown, in the County of Essex, Greetings.

In the Name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of said Town, qualified to vote in the elections and in Town affairs, to meet at the Georgetown Middle/High School, 11 Winter Street, Georgetown, Massachusetts, on Monday, November 2, 2015 at 7 o'clock in the evening then and there to act on the following articles:

### ARTICLE 1: Adjustments to the Fiscal Year 2016 operating budget (STM15-01)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 2 of the May 4, 2015 Annual Town Meeting warrant for the purpose of adjusting line items in the FY 2016 budget, and other departmental transfers if needed, and to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for this purpose, or take any other action in relation thereto.

Account Name	Line Item	Increase	Decrease
Electricity Expense	11512	30,600	
Natural Gas Expense	11513	45,900	
Reserve Fund		61,500	

## ARTICLE 2: Appropriation of Free Cash for the Snow and Ice deficit FY 2015 (STM15-02)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, and or transfer and appropriate from available funds, including Free Cash, or any combination for the foregoing, the sum of \$275,331 (Two hundred seventy-five thousand three hundred and one dollars) to be applied to the snow and ice deficit of a prior fiscal year (FY2015), or take any other action in relation thereto.

#### **ARTICLE 3: Unpaid Bills** (STM15-03)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, or transfer and appropriate from available funds, including Free Cash, or any combination for the foregoing, the sum of \$19,530.56 to pay the following unpaid bills from prior fiscal years:

Unpaid bills:

- □ Georgetown Municipal Light Department-\$16,796.78
- □ Boston Systems & Solutions-\$980.00
- □ Kopelman and Paige, P.C.-\$1,753.78

or take any other action in relation thereto.

I note that a 9/10 vote is required to approve Article 3.

## ARTICLE 4: Senior Center (STM15-04)

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate, borrow, or transfer from available funds, a sum of money to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen for the purpose of rehabilitating, reconstructing, or otherwise improving the Georgetown Senior Center, including all costs incidental and related thereto, or to take any other action in relation thereto.

If borrowing, a 2/3 vote is required to approve this article. I also recommend that you forward the article and motion to bond counsel for review and approval.

## **ARTICLE 5: Water Department Operating Budget** (STM15-05)

To see if the Town will vote to amend the vote taken under Article 5 of the May 4, 2015 Annual Town Meeting to clarify that of the \$1,948,000 (One million, nine hundred forty eight thousand dollars) appropriated for the Fiscal 2016 Water Department Enterprise, \$1,532,000 (One million, five hundred thirty two thousand dollars) will be raised from Enterprise receipts and \$416,000 (Four hundred sixteen thousand) will be raised from retained earnings, or take any action in relation thereto.

#### Explanation:

The FY2016 Water Department budget approved at the May 4, 2015 Annual Town Meeting did not specifically indicate that a portion of the budget was intended to be funded from Water Department Enterprise Fund retained earnings. This article seeks to correct this oversight by specifying the amounts to be used from each funding source. The total budget approved at the Annual Town Meeting is unchanged by this article.

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